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## Senate

(Legislative day of Tuesday, January 10, 1995)

The Senate met at 11:30 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Today we have a guest chaplain, the Reverend Mark E. Dever, pastor of the Capitol Hill Baptist Church.

### PRAYER

The guest chaplain, the Reverend Mark E. Dever, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

God over all rulers, You are a great God, worthy of all our worship.

In Your presence we are aware of how different we are from You. No earthly accomplishments can hide that fact from us.

We rejoice that we are made in Your image, but we confess that we have marred that image by our rebellion against You. Thank You for Your patience with us. Lord God, give us humility as we go about great business.

Thank You for entrusting to these men and women the privilege of accepting and executing the offices to which You have called them.

We bring before You the problems of our day which seem beyond solution. Forgive us for our lack of faith in You, for our forgetfulness of Your remarkable goodness to us in years past. Remind us that when we begin to feel ourselves beyond hope, that then we are entering the arena in which You delight to act.

Remind these Senators even this day of Your concern for them and their work.

Educate the consciences of this Nation, and particularly of the Members of this Chamber, that their will in some manner would reflect Your own.

Help them to manage their public and private duties well.

Help them to maintain piety, justice, and peace by the laws they write.

Help them to see clearly the good and right way of compromise in detail, and to find unity in principle.

Give them an appreciation for the good desires of each other, a care to listen in disagreement, a willingness to reevaluate, a resolve to act.

We ask this of you because of our dependence on you for all things, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the distinguished majority leader, Senator DOLE of Kansas.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I thank the Chair.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I just make the announcement for my colleagues that the time of the two leaders has been reserved, and we will have routine morning business until 12 noon, with Senators permitted to speak for not to exceed 5 minutes each, with the following exceptions: Senator THOMAS for up to 10 minutes, Senator INHOFE for up to 10 minutes, and Senator CAMPBELL for up to 10 minutes, I guess.

At 12 noon, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1, the unfunded mandates bill. Pending is still committee amendment No. 11.

A cloture motion was filed on Tuesday. Therefore, a cloture vote will occur tomorrow. All first-degree amendments should be filed at the desk no later than 1 p.m. today.

I just say generally for the information of Members, we are not making

any progress on this bill. It is obvious that the people watching or not even watching know that we have been on this bill 3 days and not much has happened. That is the way the Senate can work, and certainly I have been in the position of slowing things down.

But, obviously, there is a slowdown in progress. If we do not make any progress between now and 1:25 p.m. on this bill, it would be my intention to recess the Senate maybe for the rest of the day so the Judiciary Committee can complete action on the balanced-budget amendment, because I assume there will be an objection to the Judiciary Committee meeting during the session of the Senate.

If my colleagues are willing to permit the Judiciary Committee to meet, obviously we would not have to recess the Senate. So I hope that accommodation might be forthcoming.

But with about 30, 40, or 50 amendments, there is no way this bill can be completed prior to the State of the Union Message next week, and that is my hope. I know President Clinton would very much like us to move quickly on the Mexico matter, which is not foreign aid, I might say. It is a loan guarantee. As far as I am concerned, that effort is right behind the unfunded mandates bill. So I suggest maybe the President might want to urge some of his colleagues on the other side to cooperate on this bill.

I think it has broad bipartisan support, supported by nearly every Governor in America, every mayor, every county official, every public official, and the private sector, and it is something that could be passed in 1 good day of debate.

There are legitimate amendments, as there always are. But we will dispose of the bill one way or the other. We would like to accommodate our colleagues on the other side who plan a retreat on

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